Court and Clerk of the Indictm^{ts} in Prince Georges County Lib. H. D. that I never had any directions or Comands from his Ex^{ney} our p^rsent Governo^r to Act or do anything whatever belonging to my Office either for, or in p^rjudice of any person or persons whatsoever, nor any advice or Instruction from his Ex^{ney} further then to be dilligent in my Duty to Dispatch the Countrey Business, nor Ever had so much as the thoughts of giving any part of the proffit or perquisets of my Offices to his s^d Ex^{ney} or any Guift or p^rsent to him for Conferring them upon me so help me God and his holy word.

Jurat in Cur 12° Decem¹⁵ 1696. W. Bladen.

H: Wriothesley Clk.

Maryland: ss.

Oath of some We the Subscribers being Members of his Mats of the Councill abt hon hon hon the Councill of this Province, do hereby Solemnly his Exneys declare that we have not at any time, either directly or Indirectly Received any directions or Comand from his Exney the present Gov to do any illegall Act or thing whereby Justice may be perverted or to Regulate or Square our Actions contrary to the Station and places of his Mats Councill in which his Mats hath been pleased to place us here; Given under our hands this 15th day of December in the Eighth year of his Mats Reign &ca

Annoq Domini 1696.

John Addison John Courts Tho: Brooke

Maryland ss:

We the Subscribers Officiateing by Commission, Justices of the Provin. in the Quallifycacon of his Mats Justices of the Provin ciall Court of this Province do hereby solemnly declare Government that we did Never directly nor Indirectly Receive any Comand or direction from his Exncy the prsent Govern for the doing any illegall Act or thing whereby Justice might be perverted or the Law Strain'd beyond its p. 83 due limits, either for the ffavouring or punishing any particular party or parties, but that both the Generall & particular Comands We have always Recd from his Exncy have been to see Speedy Justice done & good Rules made for the more Effectuall putting in prosecucon all the Laws of England & of this Province; Given under our hands this 14th day of December in the Eigth year of his Mats Reign &ca Annoq Domini 1696.

> Robert Smith Philip Clarke Jn° Hamond Tho: Tasker

Philip Hoskins Thomas Staley and Rich^d Hill